

so Jesus died as the seed, and the germ of the new religion. His death was the harbinger of a glorious harvest. In vain did the enemy come to sow the cockle. In vain did the tyrant essay to crush it before it ripened to maturity. In vain were the powers of Hell, and every thing that He'll could suggest, called into action to check its onward movement. Yes, like to the headlong career of a mighty Ganges, the more it was impeded, the more it was attempted to be dammed up, the more it overflowed its original barriers, fertilizing new kingdoms, and spreading plenty and luxuriance far and wide. Such is the history of the Empire of Jesus upon the earth at its first introduction. His name, and his religion, was heralded to every nation in the lifetime of the apostles—yet is it true that for centuries religion had no tongue. It was heard but in whispers. It spoke only in the silence of the night, and of the dungeon, to the ears and to the hearts of the millions who professed it. For three hundred long years, while thymiamia burned to the honour of Jesus in the inner shrines of millions of hearts—yet was there no Bethel, no Zion, no public monument erected to his memory.

To be continued.

### ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH.

There will be a Meeting of the Committee for North End Church on Tuesday evening next, at 7 o'clock.

Those persons on whom the Collectors have not called would do well by handing in their contributions on or before the evening above named.

All persons concerned—and what *Catholic* is not—must feel the necessity of prompt co-operation in a work whose magnitude will task our best exertions.

The following is a continuation of the list of contributors for the past month :

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### LITERATURE.

#### A SERMON, On the Delay of Repentance.

By Rev. John A. Hearn, of Waterford, Chaplain at the Royal Sardinian Chapel, London.

"But pray that your flight be not in the winter or on the Sabbath."—MATT. xxiv. 20.

THERE can be little doubt, my brethren, that the introductory part of this day's Gospel was intended by the Saviour to lead the minds of his hearers from a detail of the horrors which should attend the siege of Jerusalem to a consideration of the more awful terrors of the last day. By comparing this chapter of St. Matthew with the 21st of St. Luke, it appears, that the abomination of desolation, alluded to by the Prophet, could be no other than the desecration of the temple by the Roman soldiery. In the 20th verse of St. Luke it is written:—"And when you shall see Jerusalem compassed about with an army, then know that the desolation thereof is at hand." And after detailing, in almost identical expressions, the horrors of that time, it continues:—"And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captives into all nations, and Jerusalem shall be trodden down by the Gentiles, till the times of the nations shall be fulfilled. Those who are in Judea are commanded to flee to the mountains; and those